

Fine dances mark KSK annual day

NAGPUR, July 1: Fine Kathak dance performance by the pupils of the Madhav Nagar based Kathak Sadhana Kendra marked its third annual social which was celebrated on June 28. Dr. Narayanrao Mangrulkar, noted musician and famous Kathak dancer Ku. Kajal Sharma were present as President and chief guest respectively.

At the outset Mrs. Lalita Hardas Director while welcoming the guests, briefed about the activities of kendra. Ku. Kajal Sharma lighted the lamp while Dr. Narayanrao Mangrulkar offered the garland to Natraja.

Kehitij & Kshama, son & daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Hardas, started with traditional Ganeshvandana, Shivastuti and light dance which attracted the attention of the audience. 'Shivapan-chakshar', the five letters in the praise of Lord Shiv were presented in the form of dance by Sunita Bagale, Geurikale, Suhasini Oak & Bhagyalakshmi Moghe, Kathak dance was effectively presented by Nilam Mistry (prarambhik) Sunita Shastri, Prajakta Tikle, Prafulla Kholkute, Komal Rao, Monika Borikar, Manjiri Dani (Pratham) and by Rashmi Gangne, Pallavi Salankar, Smita Muley, Vaishali Pimparkar, Manju Dani (Praveshika purna). Senior students namely, Sunita, Gauri, Suhasini & Bhagyalakshmi presented the Zaptal & Teen tal in Kathak with grace, elegance & exposing the intricacies in the most disciplined manner.

Gat Bhava, Makhani chori was presented by Meena Kharbanda & Vaishali, while Sunita excelled in Nayika Bhed, depicting the various facets of different Nayikas. However Gauri was best at her presentation of Draupadi Vastraharan. Both the items showed remarkable blending of Bhava & Abhinaya.

How the disciples of God helped them in the critical hours, was presented in the form of Dance Drama based on 'kabhi kabhi Bhagvankobhi Bhaktose kam pade'— the story depicting the various aspects of Ramayan. Similarly the importance of work was effectively depicted by another dance drama lazy Sunflower. The traditional holi dance was the last item. Both were characterised by gestures, eye movements & rhythm.

The accompanists were Babanrao Dayal & Smt. Suman Choudhary (Vocal), Ramgadkari & Govinda (Harmonium) Devanand Gadikar (Mridangam) & Shantikumar (Tabla).

The programme concluded with prize and certificate distribution at the hands of Dr. Mangrulkar and Miss. Kajal Sharma respectively. Both appreciated the efforts of Mrs. Lalita Hardas and wished the kendra a grand success. Prominent among those present were Dr. Varnekar, Dr. Mhaisalkar, Ramesh Gadkari, Samak and Mr. Chandrashekar Varhadpande & Popatkar of A.I.R. Mrs. Lalita Hardas compered the programme while Principal Ananta Hardas proposed vote of thanks.

